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STRUCTURE FOR SADDLE-RIDING  
VEHICLE (Amended)

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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AND WITHDRAWAL OF FINALITY OF**

**REJECTION**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 27, 2006, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application:

**Pending Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.